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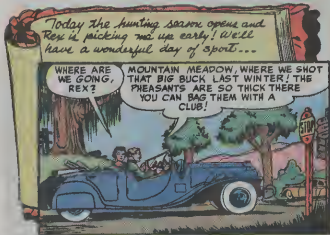
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I WAS THE BORED HEIRESS, WENDA CARR, TIRED OF EVERYTHING UNTIL REX TILTON INTRODUCED ME TO THE THRILLS AND EXCITEMENT OF HUNTING! I WAS GRATEFUL TO REX...GRATEFUL ENOUGH TO MARRY HIM...UNTIL I MET DAVE HANLEY! BUT DAVE CALLED ME CRUEL AND HEARTLESS AND SAID I HAD BEEN ---

# Born to Kill





WHERE ARE WE GOING, REX?

MOUNTAIN MEADOW, WHERE WE SHOT THAT BIG BUCK LAST WINTER! THE PHEASANTS ARE SO THICK THERE YOU CAN BAG THEM WITH A CLUB!

BESIDES, IT'S AN ABANDONED LAND! WE WON'T HAVE ANY RUMPUS WITH FARMERS WHO WANT TO SPOIL EVERYBODY'S FUN!

THANK GOODNESS! YOU'D THINK THOSE STUPID FARMERS OWNED ALL THE GAME AROUND HERE, THE WAY SOME OF THEM ACT!



SOUNDS WONDERFUL!

REX, I'LL NEVER STOP BEING GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR INTRODUCING ME TO HUNTING! I LOVE IT!

THEN MARRY ME, WENDA! WE'LL SPEND THE REST OF OUR LIVES AT IT! I PROMISE YOU'LL NEVER BE BORED!



THAT ISN'T EXACTLY A ROMANTIC PROPOSAL... BUT IT'S THE BEST OFFER I'VE HAD TODAY!

THEN YOU WILL?

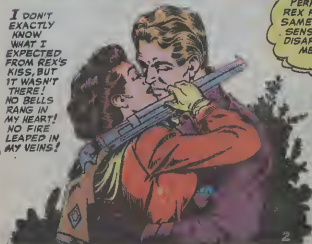


I DON'T EXACTLY KNOW WHAT I EXPECTED FROM REX'S KISS, BUT IT WASN'T THERE! NO BELLS RANG IN MY HEART! NO FIRE LEAPED IN MY VEINS!

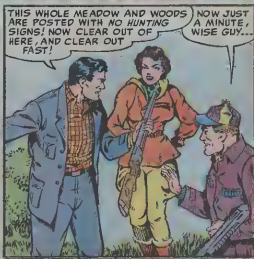
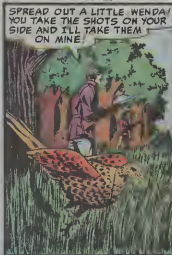
PERHAPS REX FELT THE SAME VAGUE SENSE OF DISAPPOINTMENT!

WE'D BETTER GET STARTED! THE PHEASANT SEASON'S A LOT SHORTER THAN THE KISSING SEASON!

AND A LOT MORE THRILLING!



A FEW MINUTES LATER---



I COULD ONLY STAND AND STARE AT THE HAND-SOME STRANGER WHILE THE BLOOD LEAPED IN MY VEINS! NO MAN HAD EVER THRILLED ME LIKE THIS BEFORE! HIS ANGER WAS MAGNIFICENT!



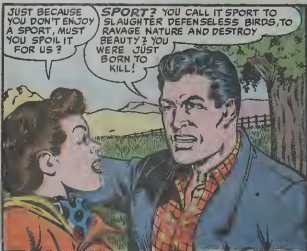
YOU CAN'T POST THIS LAND! IT'S ABANDONED!

NOT ANY MORE IT ISN'T! I OWN IT! YOU'LL FIND THE DEEDS RECORDED IN TOWN! THE NAME IS DAVE HANLEY!



GET GOING! AND DON'T BOTHER TO COME BACK... EVER!

NOW SEE HERE, MISTER KILL-JOY HANLEY...



JUST BECAUSE YOU DON'T ENJOY A SPORT, MUST YOU SPOIL IT FOR US?

SPORT? YOU CALL IT SPORT TO SLAUGHTER DEFENSELESS BIRDS, TO RAVAGE NATURE AND DESTROY BEAUTY? YOU WERE JUST BORN TO KILL!



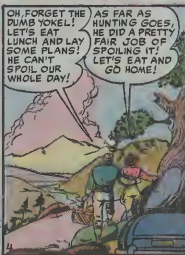
COME ON, WENDA! LET NATURE BOY HAVE HIS WORMY BIRDS!

AND DON'T LET ME CATCH YOU SNEAKING BACK ON MY LAND, KILLERS!



THAT STUPID-FARMER! COME ON, HONEY! WE'LL EAT LUNCH UP ON BALD TOP! NOBODY OWNS THAT, YET!

I...I WONDER WHAT HE'S DOING OUT HERE, ALL ALONE! OR IS HE ALL ALONE? MAYBE HE HAS A W-WIFE AND FAMILY!



OH, FORGET THE DUMB YOKEL! LET'S EAT LUNCH AND LAY SOME PLANS! HE CAN'T SPOIL OUR WHOLE DAY!

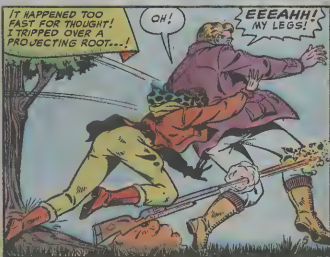
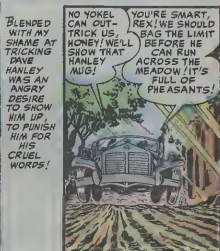
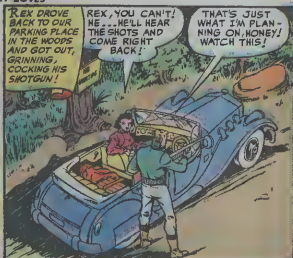
AS FAR AS HUNTING GOES, HE DID A PRETTY FAIR JOB OF SPOILING IT! LET'S EAT AND GO HOME!



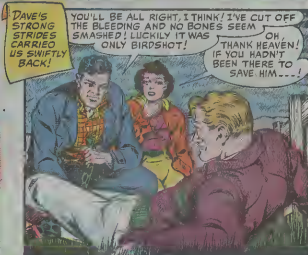
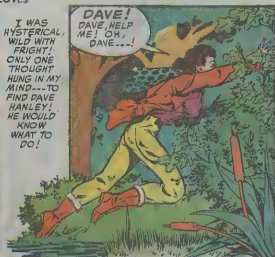
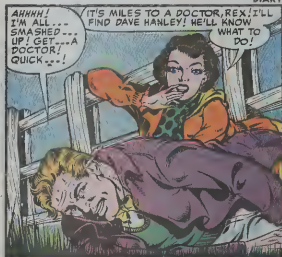
LISTEN, WENDA! I'VE GOT AN IDEA FOR GETTING IN OUR HUNTING AND MAKING A MONKEY OUT OF THAT SMART ALEC!

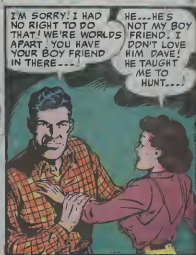
OH, REX, FORGET DAVE HANLEY!











DAVE PLUNGED OFF INTO THE WOODS! I WENT INSIDE TO CRY MY HEART OUT, TO RELIEVE THE FEARFUL ECSTASY OF HIS KISS, TO FEEL AGAIN THE HUNGER OF HIS LIPS AND ARMS!





WITH THE  
LENGTHENING  
SHADOWS  
THE AIR  
GREW COOL!  
I OPENED  
A CLOSET  
DOOR IN  
SEARCH OF  
ANOTHER  
COVER  
FOR REX...

AN ARMY UNIFORM... WITH ALL THE  
MEDALS AND RIBBONS! THERE'S A  
PURPLE HEART, THE OAK LEAF WITH  
CLUSTERS....!



DAVE, NOW I UNDERSTAND! YOU SAW  
SO MUCH OF KILLING THAT YOU HATE  
IT! I DON'T BLAME YOU!  
SUDDENLY I HATE IT,  
TOO!



DAVE! DAVE, I MUST TALK  
TO YOU! WHERE  
ARE YOU, DAVE?



DAVE! WHERE  
ARE YOU...  
OOOO!



I STOOD, PARALYZED WITH  
TERROR, AND SUDDENLY...!



WENDA, MY DARLING! ARE YOU  
ALL RIGHT? I WAS SCARED TO  
DEATH WHEN I SAW THAT  
RATTLER!



DAVE, DAVE,  
YOU SAVED  
ME! YOU  
KILLED THAT  
SNAKE!

I'D DO ANYTHING FOR YOU, MY  
DARLING! I FELL IN LOVE WITH  
YOU THE MOMENT I SAW YOU  
THIS MORNING! THAT'S WHY I  
WAS SO  
BITTER!

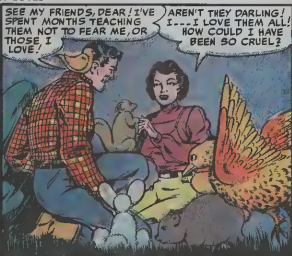


I UNDERSTAND! I  
READ YOUR RECORD,  
DAVE! I KNOW WHY  
YOU HATE HUNTING  
SO FIERCELY!



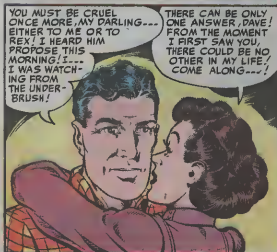
I'LL NEVER HUNT  
NEVER KILL  
NEEDLESSLY  
AGAIN!

COME, MY DEAREST!  
LET ME INTRODUCE  
MY FRIENDS!



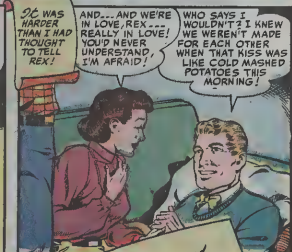
SEE MY FRIENDS, DEAR! I'VE  
SPENT MONTHS TEACHING  
THEM NOT TO FEAR ME, OR  
THOSE I  
LOVE.

AREN'T THEY DARLING!  
I... I LOVE THEM ALL!  
HOW COULD I HAVE  
BEEN SO CRUEL?



YOU MUST BE CRUEL  
ONCE MORE, MY DARLING...  
EITHER TO ME OR TO  
REX! I HEARD HIM  
PROPOSE THIS  
MORNING! I...  
I WAS WATCH-  
ING FROM  
THE UNDER-  
BRUSH!

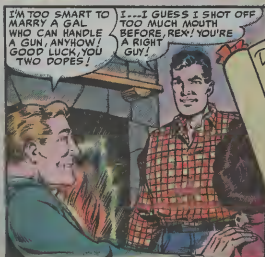
THERE CAN BE ONLY  
ONE ANSWER, DAVE!  
FROM THE MOMENT  
I FIRST SAW YOU,  
THERE COULD BE NO  
OTHER IN MY LIFE!  
COME ALONG...!



IT WAS  
HARDER  
THAN I HAD  
THOUGHT  
TO TELL  
REX!

AND... AND WE'RE  
IN LOVE, REX...  
REALLY IN LOVE!  
YOU'D NEVER  
UNDERSTAND,  
I'M AFRAID!

WHO SAYS I  
WOULDN'T? I KNEW  
WE WEREN'T MADE  
FOR EACH OTHER  
WHEN THAT KISS WAS  
LIKE COLD MASHED  
POTATOES THIS  
MORNING!



I'M TOO SMART TO  
MARRY A GAL  
WHO CAN HANDLE  
A GUN, ANYHOW!  
GOOD LUCK, YOU  
TWO DOPES!

I... I GUESS I SHOT OFF  
TOO MUCH MOUTH  
BEFORE, REX! YOU'RE  
A RIGHT  
GUY!

Dear Diary—  
I'm still a huntress! Dave and  
I tour the world now—hunting  
wild life with cameras! It's  
the greatest sport  
on earth!

HMM!  
MAYBE  
THAT'S  
WHAT I  
NEED!



# Fool's Paradise

I'M SORRY, LANA! ALL I CAN SAY IS THAT I'M NOT FREE TO MARRY YOU!

NOT FREE? WHAT KIND OF RUN-AROUND IS THIS, DON LOGAN?

*Dear Diary:* How can a girl know when a man is toiling with her heart? What sort of losing game have I been playing? I adored Don, with all my soul, but now I'm furious! I guess I've been living in a fool's paradise!

I MET DON LOGAN ON A BLIND DATE, ARRANGED BY ONE OF THE GIRLS IN THE PUBLISHING HOUSE WHERE I AM A SECRETARY!

COME ALONG, LANA! DON LOGAN IS AN ILLUSTRATOR FOR THE ACE ADVERTISING AGENCY AND HE'S A HONEY! I KNOW YOU'LL LIKE HIM!

ON YOUR RECOMMENDATION, OKAY! BUT I USUALLY HAND-PICK MY PROSPECTS!

I DON'T LIKE THIS, LANA! YOU'LL GO OUT WITH A PERFECT STRANGER BUT NOT WITH ME!

I'VE TOLD YOU BEFORE, HAL! I NEVER MIX BUSINESS WITH PLEASURE!

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HAL DOWNING HAD ALWAYS INTRIGUED ME A LITTLE BUT I NEVER WENT OUT WITH HIM. HE WAS OLDER AND SEEMED A LITTLE TOO WORLDLY WISE....

LET'S HURRY! WE DON'T WANT TO KEEP THE FELLOWS WAITING!

HAVE FUN, KIDS! IF YOU'RE DISAPPOINTED IN YOUR DATE, LANA, CALL ON UNCLE HAL!

HI, GUYS! DON, THIS IS MY FRIEND, LANA NORTON!

I'M IN LUCK! BLIND DATES DON'T USUALLY TURN OUT TO BE SO BEAUTIFUL!



I'LL NEVER FORGET THAT MOMENT! THERE ON A BUSY STREET CORNER, MY HEART DID A FLIP-FLOP AND WENT RACING AWAY, LOST TO THIS HANDSOME STRANGER! THE EVENING WAS ENCHANTING!

THIS IS THE BEST TIME I'VE HAD FOR AGES, JUST BEING WITH YOU!

WE MIGHT AS WELL NOT BE HERE! THEY CAN'T SEE ANYONE BUT EACH OTHER!



LIKE TO DANCE?

IF HE ONLY KNEW! JUST BEING IN HIS ARMS THRILLS ME!

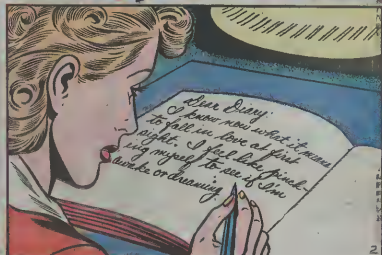
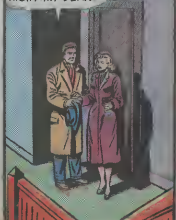


TIME WENT TOO FAST! HOW ABOUT STARTING WHERE WE LEFT OFF, SAY, TOMORROW NIGHT?

OF COURSE! THAT WOULD BE FINE!



IT'LL BE WONDERFUL LIKE YOU! GOOD NIGHT MY DEAR!





DIARY LOVES

IT WAS A WHIRLWIND ROMANCE! I SAW DON EVERY DAY FOR A WEEK AFTER THAT--EACH MINUTE WITH HIM WAS LIKE MAGIC! BUT THERE WAS SOMETHING MYSTERIOUS ABOUT HIM, TOO!

DON, DO YOU REALIZE THAT I KNOW ABSOLUTELY NOTHING ABOUT YOU? TELL ME ABOUT YOURSELF!

LET'S SKIP IT! I'D RATHER TALK ABOUT YOU!

I ADORE YOU, LANA! I DIDN'T MEAN TO FALL IN LOVE WITH YOU BUT I COULDN'T HELP MYSELF!

THERE'LL NEVER BE ANYONE, BUT YOU!

DARLING!

OH, DON, THAT'S WHAT I'VE WANTED YOU TO SAY! I LOVED YOU THE FIRST TIME I SAW YOU!

IT SEEMED TO ME, THEN, THAT HIS KISS SEALED A PROMISE FOR OUR FUTURE! I WAS BLISSFULLY HAPPY IN THE THOUGHT OF MARRY--ING DON! THEN ONE NIGHT...

I HAD TO STOP BY THE OFFICE TO GET THESE ILLUSTRATIONS IN ORDER! A CLIENT WANTS TO SEE THEM FIRST THING IN THE MORNING!

THEY'RE BEAUTIFUL! I HAD NO IDEA YOU WERE SO TALENTED!

THE AGENCY PEOPLE SEEM TO LIKE THEM! NOW WHERE SHALL WE GO FROM HERE?

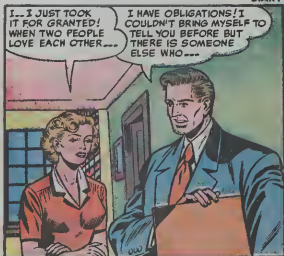
WHERE YOU GO IS MOST IMPORTANT! YOU'RE TOO GOOD FOR THIS JOB! AND I HAVE AN IDEA!

THERE'S A WONDERFUL NEW MAGAZINE STARTING AND THEY'RE LOOKING FOR AN ART DIRECTOR! I KNOW THE RIGHT PEOPLE AND MAYBE I CAN SWING IT FOR YOU!

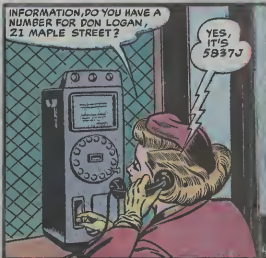
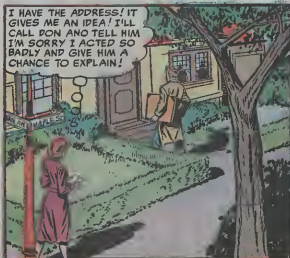
NOT NOW! THANKS, HONEY, BUT I CAN'T AFFORD TO TAKE THE CHANCE!

BUT IT WOULD BE A BIGGER INCOME! WE COULD USE THAT AFTER WE'RE MARRIED!

MARRIED? DID I GIVE YOU THE IDEA WE CAN GET MARRIED?



**MY** WOUND WAS DEEP! I WAS HURT AND I WAS ANGRY! I CHOKED WITH JEALOUS RAGE WHEN I THOUGHT OF ANOTHER WOMAN IN DON'S ARMS! THEN ONE NIGHT, AFTER WORK...



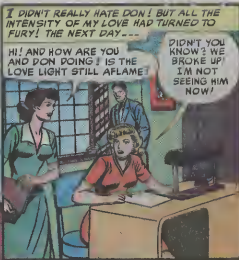


HELLO! IS THIS THE LOGAN RESIDENCE?

THAT'S RIGHT! THIS IS MRS. LOGAN SPEAKING! WHO---

THAT'S IT! HE'S MARRIED! HOW COULD SUCH A NICE GUY TURN OUT TO BE AN UTTER HEEL? I HATE HIM!

**BANG!**



I DIDN'T REALLY HATE DON! BUT ALL THE INTENSITY OF MY LOVE HAD TURNED TO FURY! THE NEXT DAY---

HI! AND HOW ARE YOU AND DON DOING! IS THE LOVE LIGHT STILL AFLAME?

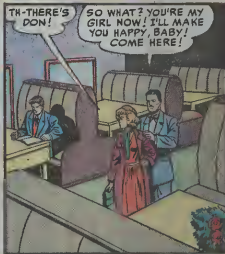
DIDN'T YOU KNOW? WE BROKE UP! I'M NOT SEEING HIM NOW!



GLAD TO HEAR THE GOOD NEWS, SWEETHEART! I KNEW THAT BOY WAS NO GOOD! HOW ABOUT DINNER WITH ME TONIGHT?

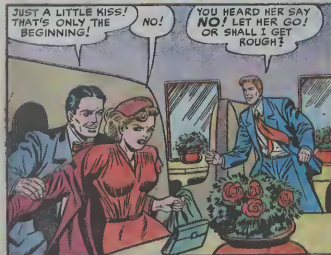
FINE, HAL! I NEED TO FORGET MY TROUBLES!

AN INNER VOICE WITHIN ME WARNED AGAINST HAL BUT I WOULDN'T LISTEN! BUT WHY DID WE HAVE TO GO TO THE RESTAURANT WHERE I HAD FIRST GONE WITH DON? AND WHY DID DON HAVE TO BE THERE? MY HEART SANK WHEN I SAW HIM!



TH-THERE'S DON!

SO WHAT? YOU'RE MY GIRL NOW! I'LL MAKE YOU HAPPY, BABY! COME HERE!



JUST A LITTLE KISS! THAT'S ONLY THE BEGINNING!

NO!

YOU HEARD HER SAY NO! LET HER GO! OR SHALL I GET ROUGH?



COME ON, HONEY! I'LL TAKE YOU HOME!

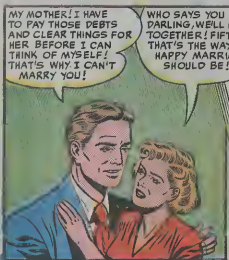
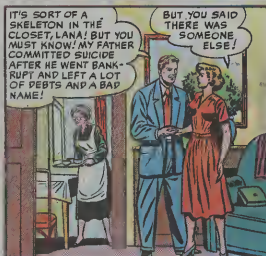
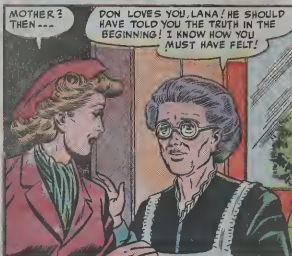
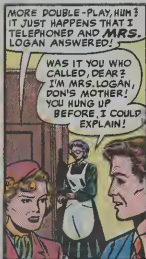
THANKS! SEEMS AS IF I HAVE A FACULTY FOR GETTING MIXED UP WITH THE WRONG PEOPLE!



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IT MAY HAVE BEEN CURIOSITY WHICH PROMPTED ME! MAYBE IT WAS VENGEANCE! I WANTED TO MEET THIS WOMAN WHO HAD SEPARATED ME FROM THE MAN I LOVED!



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LORA

DUNBAR WANTED ONE  
THING IN HOLLYWOOD...  
WANTED IT MORE THAN SHE  
WANTED LOVE AND HER AL-  
READY MOUNTING SUCCESS!  
BUT SHE THOUGHT SHE COULD  
BUY HER WAY WITH THE PROMISE  
OF PASSION...UNTIL THE NIGHT  
SHE FOUND A MERE PROMISE  
WAS NO LONGER ENOUGH!



It would be easier if I could stop remembering my first meeting  
with Jimmy, and how wonderfully kind he was!

OOOFFF!

*I'm so embarrassed and  
furious! Tonight Jimmy  
made a terrible scene in  
the Brown Derby! But I  
got what I wanted  
and that's all that  
matters ... I think!*





# DIARY LOVES

I'M TERRIBLY SORRY! I DON'T USUALLY GRASH OUT THROUGH DOORS LIKE THAT WITHOUT LOOKING!

IT'S ALL RIGHT, REALLY! I'M NOT HURT! I'M AFRAID I WASN'T TOO WATCHFUL, EITHER!

I could feel his warm, admiring eyes following me as I went on to the desk!

I'D LIKE TO SEE MR. O'HARA, PLEASE! I'M LORA DUNBAR!

I'M SORRY, MISS DUNBAR, BUT MR. O'HARA IS... ER... OUT RIGHT NOW!

IT'S ALL RIGHT, NAN! I'LL SEE MISS OUNBAR IN MY OFFICE!

UHP! Y-YOU'RE MR. O'HARA? I HAD NO IDEA...!

He listened quietly to what must have been an old, old story to him!

I... I GUESS I PICTURED AGENTS AS FAST-TALKING MEN WITH LOUD GHEGKEO SUITS AND BIG CIGARS!

YOU'RE THINKING OF PROOUGERS, HONEY! SIT DOWN AND TELL ME WHY YOU THINK YOU'RE HEAVEN'S GIFT TO HOLLYWOOD!

...SO WHEN THE STOGK COMPANY FOLGEO, I COPIED A MILLION OTHER STAGE-STRUGG GIRLS AND HEAOEO HERE TO HOLLYWOOD!

MMMM, AND I'LL BET I'VE TURNED DOWN HALF THAT MILLION MYSELF! THEY ALL TRY HERE ON THEIR WAY AROUND THE CIRCUIT!

BUT SOMEHOW, I THINK YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING THEY NEVER HAD, LORA! I CAN'T ANALYZE IT, BUT IF IT PHOTOGRAPHS, YOU'LL MAKE THE GRAOE!

OH...? YOU MEAN YOU'LL HELP ME... BE MY AGENT?

MAYBE I'M A SUCKER FOR GREEN EYES, HONEY, BUT I'LL GIVE IT A WHIRL! SEE ME TOMORROW AFTERNOON AROUND THREE!

OH, THANK YOU! I... I ONLY HOPE I DON'T BLOW UP FROM EXGITEMENT BEFORE THEN!

JIMMY O'HARA IS SO NICE! I SHOULD THINK, SEEING SO MANY GIRLS, HE'D BE EITHER A WOLF OR AN OLD GYNIG... BUT HE'S JUST KING AND NIGE!

DIARY LOVES

I thought I could never wait until three o'clock the next day! As it turned out, I didn't have to!

MR. O'HARA! BUT...BUT I THOUGHT YOU SAID TO SEE YOU AT THREE! IT'S ONLY NOON...

NEVER MIND, CHICK! YOU'RE BEING SCREEN-TESTED AT SUPREMO IN EXACTLY ONE HOUR! LUCKY I CAUGHT YOU IN!



I'M NOT DRESSED FOR AN INTERVIEW...AND MY HAIR IS A SIGHT!

THEY'LL FIX YOU UP! STOP WORRYING! I DID THIS DELIBERATELY SO YOU WOULDN'T HAVE TIME TO GET TOO PRETTIED UP!



I was rushed into a dressing room! Jimmy paced outside and fired advice and encouragement!

JUST ACT NATURAL, HONEY! I'VE SOLD MAX FENNAN ON YOU AS HIS DREAM GAL FOR A NEW PICTURE, "SWEET DINAH"!



When I came out I was dozed...

HONEY LAMB, YOU LOOK LIKE TEN PERCENT OF A MILLION DOLLARS! IF YOU DON'T LAND THIS, I'LL GO BACK TO FARMING!

BUT THIS OUTFIT...I LOOK SO ORDINARY! I WANTED TO PLAY THE SEDUCTIVE SIREN, THE DANGEROUS KIND OF WOMAN WHO STEALS MEN!



FORGET IT! ALL GALS YEARN TO BE DANGEROUS! BUT ONLY ONE IN A MILLION CAN BE THE SWEET HOME GIRL THE PUBLIC TAKES TO ITS HEART!

ALL...ALL RIGHT, IF YOU SAY SO, JIMMY!



SHE'S GOT SOMETHING, JIMMY! IF IT PHOTOGRAPHS, YOU'RE IN!

I HAVE A HUNCH IT WILL, MAX! SHE HIT ME HARD, AND I'M TOUGH!



I was in Jimmy's office when the news came through!

THAT WAS IT, LORA! TOMORROW YOU SIGN A CONTRACT WITH OPTIONS!

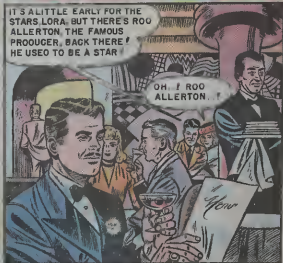
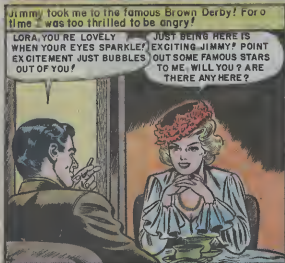
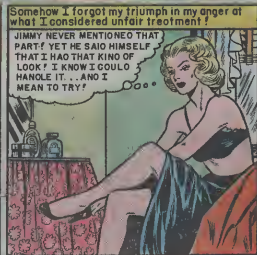
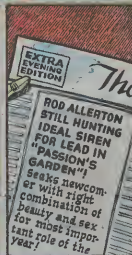
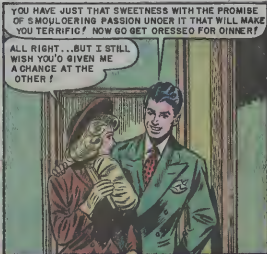
OH, JIMMY, JIMMY! I THINK I'M GOING TO CRY OR...OR SOMETHING! IT'S A MIRACLE...AND YOU DID IT!



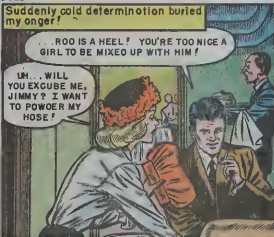
YOU'RE SOMETHING OF A MIRACLE YOURSELF, HONEY! HOW ABOUT A CELEBRATION DINNER TONIGHT? TOMORROW YOU'LL BELONG TO THE WORLD!

I DO LOVE IT! I'M SO THRILLED AND EXCITED!

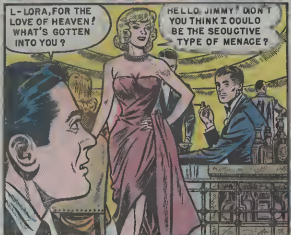








I had no clear idea of what I meant to do until I rushed into the lounge! No one else was there...



DIARY LOVES

SKIP IT, ROD! MISS DUNBAR'S UNDER CONTRACT TO SUPREMO!

I BEG YOUR PARDON, BUT I HAVEN'T SIGNED ANY CONTRACTS YET! I'M NOT SURE THAT I WANT TO SIGN FOR THAT PART!



THEN COME OVER TO MY TABLE, HONEY! I'D LIKE TO TALK TO YOU ABOUT A REALLY IMPORTANT PART!

MAYBE YOU DIDN'T HEAR ME THE FIRST TIME, ROO! I CAN MAKE IT LOUDER, IF NOT FUNNIER!



I thought they were going to fight right there! Suddenly I was frightened! As writers rushed over, I ran out...

I MUSTN'T BE INVOLVED IN A BRAWL! I'LL GO HOME AND GET IN TOUCH WITH ROO ALLERTON IN THE MORNING!



Hove I been a selfish fool, diary? I know I hurt Jimmy, but after all, business is business...

WHAT DOES HE CARE AS LONG AS HE GETS HIS FEE? BUT... BUT I THINK HE DOES CARE! HE WAS SO FINE AND KIND TO ME!



OH...! MR. ALLERTON...!

HELLO, SWEETHEART! THEY THREW THAT NOISY FOOL OUT AS YOU WERE LEAVING! I FOLLOWED YOU HERE! MAY I COME IN?



Suddenly the door bell rang and my heart jumped...



I'LL BET THAT'S JIMMY NOW! I HOPE I CAN MAKE HIM UNDERSTAND!

I WANTED TO MAKE A LITTLE PRE-SCREEN TEST HONEY! JUST **LOOKING** THE PART ISN'T ENOUGH! LET'S SEE HOW YOU ACT IT!

NO...! PLEASE! LET ME GO!



Suddenly I was terrified! For the first time I realized what Jimmy had meant when he said I had the promise of passion!

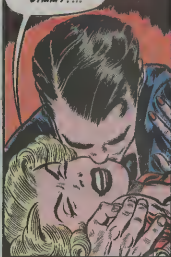
DON'T BE GOY, HONEY! YOU'VE GOT A TERRIFIC APPEAL UNDER THAT INNOCENT SMILE! YOU'RE A VOLCANO, JUST WAITING TO BE AROUSED!

NO, NO! STOP IT! I DON'T EVEN WANT THE PART!



LET YOURSELF GO DARLING! YOU'LL CHANGE YOUR MIND!

MMMFFF...UGH!  
JIMMY!...



YOU LOW-DOWN HEEL! I FOLLOWED YOU HERE BUT I WAITED OUTSIDE TO MAKE SURE YOU WEREN'T WELCOME!

WELL, FOLLOW YOUR SNOOPING NOSE BACK OUT AGAIN! YOU AREN'T!



LORA CALLED MY NAME AND THAT SAYS I AM! GET OUT, RAT!

EEEEHHH!



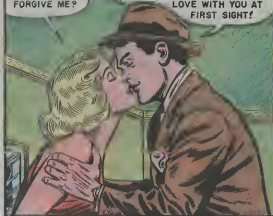
WHEN I GET THE TRASH OUT AND THE PLACE CLEANED UP, I'M GOING TO PROPOSE TO LORA! BEAT IT!

OH, JIMMY...!



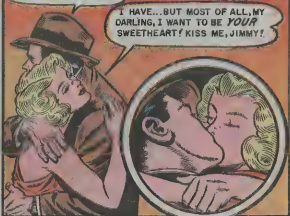
OH, JIMMY, JIMMY, I'VE BEEN SUCH A FOOL! CAN YOU FORGIVE ME?

I'VE BEEN A FOOL, TOO, DARLING! I WASTED TWENTY-NINE HOURS WITHOUT TELLING YOU I FELL IN LOVE WITH YOU AT FIRST SIGHT!



YOUR NAME DIDN'T GET INTO THIS TONIGHT, DEAREST! YOU CAN STILL BE AMERICA'S SWEETHEART IF YOU'VE CHANGED YOUR MIND!

I HAVE...BUT MOST OF ALL, MY DARLING, I WANT TO BE YOUR SWEETHEART! KISS ME, JIMMY!





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DIARY LOVES

A GIRL LIKE BEAUTIFUL JAN MARLOWE WOULD FIGHT FOREVER TO HOLD HER MAN---ALL SHE DEMANDED WAS A FLEETING CHANCE! BUT WHEN THE "OTHER WOMAN" IN JED SHANE'S LIFE HAPPENED TO BE HIS MOTHER, THE BATTLE SEEMED INSURMOUNTABLE UNTIL JAN FOUND THE ANSWER IN---

# FLAMES of DECEIT



DEAR DIARY...  
I DON'T  
KNOW WHAT  
TO DO! JED  
AND I HAVE  
BEEN GOING  
TOGETHER  
FOR THREE  
YEARS NOW!  
I KNOW THAT  
HE LOVES ME  
AND I LOVE  
HIM! BUT  
HOW MUCH  
LONGER CAN  
I WAIT?



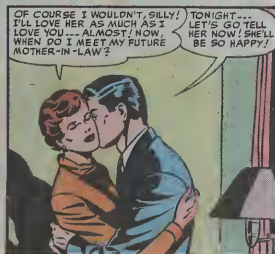
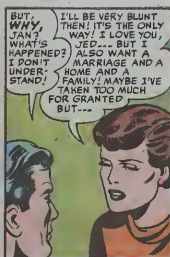
IT'S SO STRANGE! JED HAS  
NEVER ONCE MENTIONED  
MARRIAGE TO ME! SOME-  
HOW OR OTHER, I  
MUST FORCE  
THE ISSUE!  
WE CAN'T GO  
ON FOREVER  
THIS WAY!



THAT'S JED! I'M GOING  
TO DO IT RIGHT NOW! IF  
I ASK FOR THE TRUTH  
IT MAY HURT! MAYBE...  
MAYBE HE **DOESN'T**  
LOVE ME...  
BUT I MUST  
KNOW!



DIARY LOVES



HAPPIER THAN I HAD EVER BEEN BEFORE, I DROVE TO JED'S HOME WITH HIM! THEN I WALKED INSIDE AND SAW HER --- FRAGILE AND PATHETIC! BUT WHEN SHE TURNED HER BEAUTIFUL EYES TOWARD ME, I SUDDENLY FELT AN UNFATHOMABLE TWING OF PANGER!



HELLO, MOTHER DEAR! I ...

WHO IS THIS YOUNG WOMAN, JED?

THIS IS JAN MARLOWE, MOTHER! I BROUGHT HER HOME WITH ME TO TELL YOU WE'RE GOING TO BE MARRIED!

NO! YOU CAN'T JED! WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO ME? YOU KNOW I HAVE NO ONE TO CARE FOR ME BUT YOU!



YOU'LL HAVE ME, MRS. SHANE! I'LL DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO HELP JED TAKE CARE OF YOU!

THAT'S WHAT YOU SAY NOW! BUT DO YOU HAVE ANY IDEA WHAT IT'S LIKE TO NURSE A HELPLESS, SICK OLD WOMAN? IT'S A HARD, PULL TASK!



I WOULDN'T MIND! I LOVE JED ENOUGH TO SHARE THE HARDEST TASK!

I WONDER! WELL, WE CAN SOON FIND OUT! SINCE YOU'RE SO DETERMINED TO MARRY MY SON, I HAVE A PLAN!



SUPPOSE YOU COME HERE AND LIVE WITH US FOR A FEW WEEKS BEFORE THE WEDDING! YOU WILL LEARN WHAT IT IS TO HAVE AN INVALID ON YOUR HANDS! THEN YOU WILL KNOW IF IT IS WORTH THE BURDEN! ARE YOU WILLING?

I KNOW THE ANSWER - ALREADY, BUT IF YOU NEED TO HAVE PROOF, I'LL DO IT!



WE DECIDED TO BEGIN THE STRANGE EXPERIMENT AT ONCE SINCE JED AND I WERE EAGER TO MARRY AS SOON AS POSSIBLE! LATER THAT EVENING, AS WE WERE BRINGING MY BELONGINGS TO THE SHANE HOUSE...

I THINK MOTHER'S PLAN IS A GOOD ONE DON'T YOU, DARLING? I KNOW HOW YOU FEEL ABOUT IT, BUT UNTIL YOU'VE BEEN THROUGH IT, YOU CAN'T REALLY KNOW WHAT A CONSTANT BURDEN IT CAN BE!

I ONLY KNOW THAT IF IT MAKES YOU HAPPY, IT MAKES ME HAPPY!

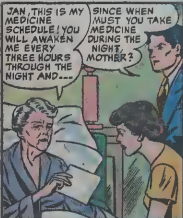


JED SUDDENLY DREW ME TO HIM, AND AS ALWAYS, THE TOUCH OF HIS WARM, TENDER LIPS ON MINE LEFT ME WEAK WITH A SUBLIME HAPPINESS!





MRS. SHANE SEEMED EAGER TO BEGIN, FOR AS SOON AS WE RETURNED TO THE HOUSE---



JAN, THIS IS MY MEDICINE SCHEDULE! YOU WILL AWAKEN ME EVERY THREE HOURS THROUGH THE NIGHT AND---

SINCE WHEN MUST YOU TAKE MEDICINE DURING THE NIGHT, MOTHER?

DOCTOR BRADFORD GAVE ME THIS NEW MEDICINE TODAY! I'M SURE JAN WON'T MIND! AFTER ALL---SHE DID AGREE TO THIS EXPERIMENT!

OF COURSE I WON'T MIND MRS. SHANE!



ALL RIGHT! I YIELD TO THE LADIES! COME ON, JAN! I'LL SHOW YOU THE GARDEN BEFORE WE TURN IN!

OH, I WAS HOPING JAN WOULD READ A LITTLE TO ME! IT'S BEEN SUCH A LONELY, DULL DAY FOR ME!



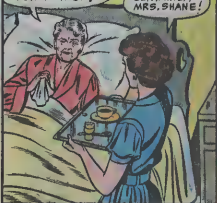
I'D LOVE TO READ TO YOU, MRS. SHANE! I'LL HAVE TIME TO SEE THE GARDEN TOMORROW!



But THERE WAS NO TIME THE NEXT DAY, OR ANY OTHER DAY! MRS. SHANE MANAGED TO THINK OF A MILLION THINGS TO KEEP ME BUSY!

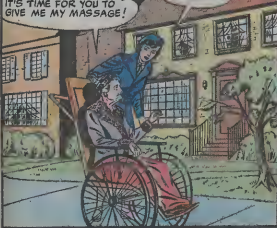
JAN, MY DEAR! MRS. HOPKINS, THE COOK, SIMPLY REFUSES TO LEARN HOW TO FIX MY EGGS PROPERLY! YOU'LL HAVE TO FIX MY BREAKFAST FROM NOW ON!

CERTAINLY, MRS. SHANE!



JAN! TAKE ME HOME NOW! I'M TIRED! AND IT'S TIME FOR YOU TO GIVE ME MY MASSAGE!

YES, MRS. SHANE!



YOU LOOK TIRED, MY DEAR! PERHAPS CARING FOR AN INVALID IS--TOO--MUCH FOR YOU?

NO! NO, OF COURSE NOT, MRS. SHANE!



I WOULDN'T ADMIT THE TRUTH TO JED'S MOTHER, BUT I WAS WONDERING HOW MUCH LONGER I COULD BEAR UP UNDER HER INCESSANT DEMANDS FOR ATTENTION! THEN, ONE DAY, WHEN MRS. SHANE AND I WERE ALONE IN THE HOUSE, AN ODD THING HAPPENED!

NOW WHERE IS THAT PEER MAGAZINE? I LEFT IT HERE! I KNOW I LEFT IT HERE ONLY AN HOUR AGO!



I... WHY, SHE HAS IT! BUT HOW DID SHE GET IT? THERE'S NO ONE ELSE IN THE HOUSE TO GET IT FOR HER... AND MRS. SHANE COULDN'T WALK FROM THE COUCH TO THAT TABLE!



OR COULD SHE? I WONDER... NO! IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! I MUST HAVE BEEN MISTAKEN ABOUT LEAVING THE MAGAZINE ON THE TABLE! I MUST HAVE LEFT IT ON THE COUCH BESIDE HER!



I FORGOT THE INCIDENT UNTIL THAT AFTERNOON WHEN I RETURNED FROM A BRIEF TRIP TO THE STORE! I HAD BEEN GONE ABOUT AN HOUR AND HAD LEFT MRS. SHANE RESTING ON THE COUCH! I STARTED UPSTAIRS...

WHAT'S THIS? A HANDKERCHIEF! I GAVE IT TO MRS. SHANE IN THE MORNING! BUT HOW IN THE WORLD DID IT GET HERE?



SHE SEEMED TO BE EXACTLY AS I HAD LEFT HER!

WAS... ANYONE ELSE... HERE WHILE I WAS GONE, MRS. SHANE?

DON'T BE RIDICULOUS MY DEAR! WHO COULD HAVE BEEN HERE? IT'S MRS. HOPKINS' DAY OUT... AND JED IS AT HIS OFFICE!



THEN HOW DID YOUR HANDKERCHIEF GET ON THE STAIRS? I KNOW IT WASN'T THERE WHEN I LEFT!

I...UH... I... PERHAPS...

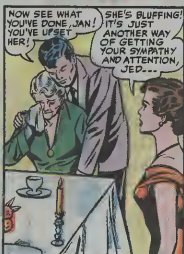
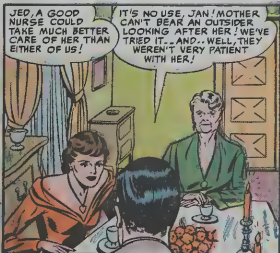


PERHAPS... YOU CAN WALK AFTER ALL, MRS. SHANE? IS THAT WHAT YOU MEAN?

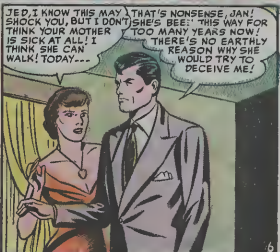
DON'T TRY TO INTIMIDATE ME, JAN MARLOWE! YOU MAY BELIEVE WHAT YOU LIKE! NOW GET OUT OF HERE AND LEAVE ME ALONE! I... I MUST REST BEFORE DINNER!



BLIND WITH FRUSTRATION, I RAN OUT OF THE ROOM... BUT THAT NIGHT I DECIDED TO CHANGE MY APPROACH! AT DINNER I WAITED FOR MY CHANCE!



FIGHTING TO HOLD BACK MY TEARS, I HURRIED OUT OF THE DINING ROOM... BUT JED FOLLOWED ME!





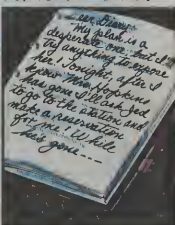
IT'S NO USE! I LOVE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART, BUT I'M HER SON... AND I HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO HER UNTIL THE DAY SHE DIES! I'M SORRY, JAN!

OH, MY POOR DARLING!



OH, WHAT CAN I DO? SHE'S PLAYED ON HIS SYMPATHY UNTIL HE'S BLINDED BY PITY... AND MISTAKES IT FOR LOVE!

BUT LATER, IN MY ROOM, AFTER AN AGONIZING HOUR OF BROODING, I FOUND AN ANSWER!



My plan is a desperate one, but I'll try anything to expose her! Tonight, after I know Mrs. Hopkins has gone, I'll sneak out to go to the station and make a reservation for one! I will kill her! I will kill her!

A LITTLE WHILE LATER, EVERYTHING WAS IN READINESS AND WE WERE FINALLY ALONE! WITH A FEELING OF DESPERATION, I GATHERED MY COURAGE -- AND RUSHED DOWN STAIRS TO MRS. SHANE!



FIRE! MRS. SHANE, THE HOUSE IS ON FIRE! WE MUST GET OUT! HURRY!

WHAT DO YOU EXPECT ME TO DO? SAVE MYSELF?



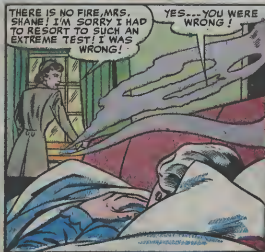
WELL, I CAN'T CARRY YOU BY MYSELF! THE WHOLE UPSTAIRS IS IN FLAMES! THERE'S NOT A MINUTE TO LOSE! THE SMOKE... COUGH... OH, PLEASE! HURRY!

THEN... COUGH... I MUST DIE AS I'VE BEEN FORCED TO LIVE... ALONE AND HELPLESS!



THEN SHE'S NOT LYING! SHE HASN'T EVEN TRIED TO MOVE! I WAS WRONG!

I RAN UPSTAIRS AND DOUSED THE BURNING RUBBISH I HAD SET AFIRE IN SOME METAL WASTE BASKETS! THEN I FEVERISHLY PACKED MY THINGS... AND HURRIED BACK DOWNSTAIRS!



THERE IS NO FIRE, MRS. SHANE! I'M SORRY I HAD TO RESORT TO SUCH AN EXTREME TEST! I WAS WRONG!

YES... YOU WERE WRONG!



DIARY LOVES

I'VE BEEN CONVINCED FOR DAYS THAT YOU WERE BLUFFING--- THAT YOU WERE SICK AND HELPLESS! I THOUGHT I COULD FORCE YOU INTO EXPOSING YOURSELF! I FAILED--- BUT IT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER BECAUSE YOU'D WON ANYWAY! I'M LEAVING!



YES, I'VE WON! I'VE ALWAYS WON WHEN THE BATTLE WAS OVER MY SON! I KNEW THIS WAS A TRICK AND I'M NOT SURPRISED! I SUSPECTED YOU FROM THE DAY I SET EYES ON YOU!



BUT WHY? I COULD HAVE LOVED YOU TOO, IF ONLY YOU HAD LET ME!

DID YOU REALLY THINK I'D LET YOU MARRY MY SON? I'VE WORKED FOR YEARS TO CONVINCE HIM THAT HE COULD NEVER LEAVE ME! HE'LL NEVER MARRY IF I CAN HELP IT!



WELL, YOU HAVE HIM NOW, MRS. SHANE! I'LL ALWAYS LOVE JED, BUT YOU'VE HELD HIM TOO LONG WITH PITY!

I... I WENT FOR YOUR RESERVATIONS, JAN--- BUT I GOT MINE, TOO! I COULDN'T FACE THE THOUGHT OF LOSING YOU!



JED! YOU CAN'T! YOU DON'T KNOW WHAT SHE TRIED TO DO TO ME!

I KNOW, MOTHER! YOU SEE, I'VE BEEN STANDING HERE LISTENING FOR THE LAST FIVE MINUTES! BAD MANNERS, I KNOW! BUT A GOOD INVESTMENT IN MY FUTURE!



OH-H-H! BUT WHO'LL TAKE CARE OF ME? I---

TOMORROW I'LL GET YOU A GOOD NURSE, AND IF YOU CAN'T GET ALONG WITH HER, YOU'LL HAVE TO GET ALONG BY YOURSELF! AND AFTER TONIGHT, I'M NOT SO SURE THAT THAT ISN'T POSSIBLE, TOO!



DON'T BE TOO CRUEL WITH HER, JED! LOVE IS SOMETIMES SELFISH!



NOT YOUR KIND OF LOVE, DARLING! I'VE BEEN BLIND FOR A LONG TIME, BUT NOW I KNOW WHAT LOVE REALLY IS, THANKS TO YOU!

Dear Diary:  
Jed and I have been married a month, and we've just heard the most amazing news! Mrs. Shane has astonished everyone, including herself, with the most miraculous recovery! Even her doctors can't explain it! I could just think I don't think I will!




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Toni Duvess  
Oak Park, Ill.

# LITTLE BROTHER MAKES A MATCH

WHEN bedtime rolled around, Timmy Parker was no different from any other freckle-faced boy of ten. He usually argued a little, until sister Patsy put her foot down firmly and ushered him into the bedroom of their small New York apartment. Then he would give in with a grin and fondly kiss her good-night!

The only times he could be accused of genuine bad behavior was when Patsy's beau, Stewart Howbridge, was there! Timmy had an instinctive dislike for the young, ambitious hanker and, on one particular occasion, all his pent-up resentment burst forth in a display of stubbornness and ill temper!

"Please, sis," he begged. "Let me stay up just a little hit longer!"

"Young man," ordered Stewart sternly, "go to bed this instant! And no back-talk! Understand!"

"I won't and you can't make me!" screamed Timmy helligerently. "You think you're smart and—"

Angrily, Stewart jumped up from the davenport where he was sitting beside Patsy. But she motioned him aside and put her arms around Timmy.

"Please, darling," she said kindly, "go to bed like a good boy. And tell Stewart you're sorry for acting like this!"

"I'll go for you! But I won't tell him I'm sorry because I'm not!" answered Timmy, with big tears spilling out of his eyes.

Inside the bedroom, he pnt his ear to the door and tried to listen. Perhaps it was just as well that he didn't hear Stewart say to Patsy, "That kid needs discipline! When we're married, I'll probably have a problem with him for a while!"

"I suppose I'm too easy with him," Patsy replied. "But he's all I have! Besides, Stewart, I haven't said yet that I'll marry you!"

But Patsy was pretty sure she would! She longed for security and a good education for Timmy! Stewart would give her that! Besides, he was probably right about discipline and a boy needed a man's firm hand to set him straight in his formative years! No doubt, she was too lenient!

Timmy was restless all that night and unatentive the next day in school! As always, he came home to an empty apartment! Patsy had to work to pay the bills and he understood it but

he felt lost and alone! She had told him not to go to Central Park by himself but he felt defiant and went anyway!

He was houncing his hall against a tree when it sailed back and fell at the feet of a total stranger who was sitting on a park bench.

"Gee," ventured Timmy, as he went to retrieve it, "guess I don't throw very good!"

"I think you're okay!" the stranger answered. "I've been watching and you're pretty good! Want to play catch with me?"

They played for a while and Timmy eyed his new friend with approval. He was tall and looked strong and had sort of reddish hair that wasn't plastered down like Stewart's. And he had a wide smile that made you think he liked everybody and wouldn't try to order people around! Besides, he wasn't too much of a big-shot to play ball with a small boy who was hungry for companionship! Finally, they sat down on the bench to rest!

"That was keen," panted Timmy, heaming through his freckles. "You're swell! What's your name?"

"My name's Alec Tabot and friends like you can call me Alec! What's yours? Tell me about yourself!"

"I'm Timmy Parker! I used to live in the country till mom died. Now I live here with Patsy—she's my sister! She works for Duprey's on Fifth Avenue. I don't like New York! And I don't like—" But Timmy didn't get to tell about Stewart Howbridge because, just then, he saw Patsy running frantically toward him!

"Timmy," she cried with a sigh of deep relief, "you had me scared silly! I went home and you were gone and—"

"You didn't tell me you'd run away, pal!" whispered Alec behind his hand. "If this is Patsy, introduce me and maybe I can help you out of a jam!"

"You see," he explained to Patsy a minute later, "men like us have to hit the open spaces once in a while. We get a little atir-crazy in the city. Right, Timmy?" And he gave the boy a knowing smile! "I have a little farm npstate, myself, and I'm seriously considering going back to it!"

The mention of a farm turned the conversation to animals and that led to a suggestion that they all visit the Central Park Zoo! Before Patsy knew bow it all happened, they were laughing at the



antics of the monkeys and feeding peanuts to the elephants and, themselves, gobbling down hot dogs and drinking pink lemonade! Alec said it was the best time he'd had since he'd taken a sales job in New York two months ago! Timmy said it was the best time of his life, ever! Patsy tried to hide her true feelings for something in her heart had clicked like a switch and sensations, similar to electric currents, set her a-tingle every time Alec was near her! No one had ever affected her quite like that!

Alec insisted that they all go to Coney Island and, since the next day was her day off, Patsy agreed. Timmy's gay laugh rang out above the noise when he rode the whip and merry-go-round and chute-the-chutes! And Patsy's reserve gave way as Alec held her in his strong arms and she clung to him on the roller coaster! She wasn't sure whether it was the dips that made her knees weak or the feet that Alec kissed her during the ride!

They stopped at a deli on the way home and bought food for a quick snack! When it was over, it was past Timmy's bedtime!

"Sorry, Timmy, but you'd better say good-night!" advised Patsy. "School tomorrow, you know!"

"That's right, fella," agreed Alec. "Besides, don't you think I deserve a few minutes alone with you sis?" And he gave the boy a wink!

There was not a peep of protest from Timmy. He grinned and hurried off to bed, tired from the day's outing and happy in the warmth of this new-found friendship! He was too tired even to try to eavesdrop on the conversation from the next room!

"I've wanted to do this for two days," Alec whispered, as he took Patsy in his arms and kissed her. "I never supposed it could happen to me this fast but I've fallen in love with you! If you'll marry me, I'll do my best to make you and Timmy happy!"

The intensity of his kiss left her spinning and speechless! But, anyway, before she answered, she must think! Something like a fog clouded her brain; yet, through the dim confusion, her mind went to Stewart and her own plans for Timmy's secure future! Marriage to Stewart would be a sound investment! With Alec, about whom she knew nothing, it was a risk!

"I—I'm sorry," she stammered. "I—I didn't know you felt this way! There's someone else!"

"My mistake," he apologized, picking up his hat to leave. "At least, it'll be a thing to remember! Tell Timmy I said good-bye!"

After he was gone, she felt stunned and empty, like a person bereaved! She sat at the desk and

wrote in her diary and, when Timmy stumbled sleepily into the room, he found her sitting there and crying!

"Is Alec gone? What are you writing? Hey, what's in that book that makes you cry?"

"It's n-nothing!" she assured him, swallowing her sobs. "And I'm writing in my diary and that's not for you to see, so don't snoop! Now, get back to bed this minute!"

Timmy felt disturbed all the next day and, when he came from school, his curiosity overcame his sense of obedience! He opened the diary and read:

Dear Diary: I'm utterly miserable. I sent Alec away because I feel that I should marry Stewart for Timmy's sake. And I will, because I probably will never see Alec again. But I love him and I don't see how I can ever get over it. I've broken my own heart and

There it stopped! Timmy stared, as he read! "Sufferin' catfish," he gasped to himself, "if she's gonna marry that stupe Stewart for my sake, she's on the wrong track! I gotta do something!"

Following a hunch, he raced to Central Park, taking the diary with him. Sure enough, there was Alec, sitting on the same park bench and sort of staring into space. He looked up with a start when he saw Timmy.

"We've got to act fast, Alec," blurted out the boy. "I just read sis's diary and it's awful! Look at this!"

He held the open page under Alec's nose!

"We shouldn't read her diary," answered Alec. "That's personal property and—!" But he had glanced at it while he was talking and his face lit up in a bright, broad smile!

That's why, when Patsy dragged herself home from work, she found Timmy and Alec waiting in the apartment. Then, as they had planned, Timmy disappeared to the bathroom to "wash up!"

Alec took her in his arms. "Timmy and I have decided that you should change your mind and marry me!" he said softly. "I have a farm and money invested and we'd have a good life and—"

"Oh, yes, Alec," she cried before he could finish what he had planned to tell her. And while he kissed her over and over, Timmy peeked through a crack in the door and watched and was happy!

But she never knew that either of them had ever read her diary! It was a sort of "man to man" agreement that they would never tell! And neither one would ever want to get the other into trouble!

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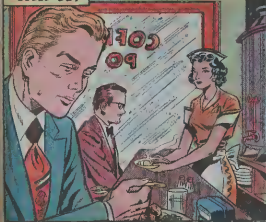
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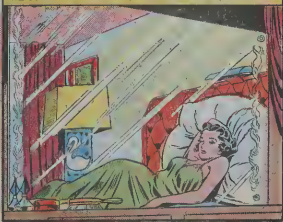
# Love on the MENU



SPECIAL THE MOMENT I SAW HIM A STRANGE FEELING STIRRED WITHIN ME! LOVE? COULD BE!



AT NIGHT I LAY WONDERING AND DREAMING IMPOSSIBLE DREAMS! ME A WAITRESS AND HE A GENTLEMAN---IT COULDN'T BE!



DIARY LOVES

MY DREAMS MUST HAVE BEEN SHOWING FOR NICK KIDDED ME!

AH! ROMEO AN' JULIET! ... IN A JOINT LIKE DIS! HOW YOU LIKE HIM?

OH, I THINK HE'S--- WHY, WHO DO YOU MEAN?

HOW I YEARNED TO KNOW HIM... HIS LIFE... HIS WORK... HIS WORLD! I FORCED MYSELF TO BELIEVE HE WAS NOT MARRIED!



OUR "PIECE DE RESISTANCE" TODAY IS SHORT RIBS--- AND NOT BAD!

THANK YOU --- I'LL TRY THEM!



ONE DAY HE CAME IN AND MY HEART TOLD ME SOMETHING WAS WRONG! HE WAS HAGGARD AND DEFEATED!

OH, MR. "WHAT'S-YOUR-NAME", WHAT'S WRONG? MAYBE I CAN HELP YOU IF YOU WOULD TELL ME!



HEY, WHAT'S WRONG WITHA ROMEO? HE'S BEEN SITTING THERE LONG TIME! RUSH HIM UP, GOTTA CLOSE SOON!



I SOON LEARNED WHAT WAS WRONG AND MY HEART DROPPED LIKE A PLUMMET!

WHATTA YOU MEAN --- CAN'T PAY? WHAT YOU THINK THIS IS --- A BUM'S HANGOUT? YOU WASH DA DISHES OR I CALLA COP!



MY HEART WAS POUNDING WILDLY TO BE ALONE WITH GARY! I TOLD NICK I WOULD STAY AND HELP THE STRANGER DO THE DISHES!

YOU MEAN YOU WANNA STAY AN' HELP THIS BUSTED ROMEO WASH DA DISHES! WHATSA MATTER --- YOU CRAZY OR SOMETHIN'?

SURE... I'M CRAZY OR SOMETHING! YOU GO HOME AND I'LL CLOSE UP!

It WAS MAD! ALL ALONE WITH A STRANGER IN THE DEAD OF NIGHT... BUT IT WAS HEAVEN! DOING THE DISHES LIKE WE WERE MARRIED!



HE'S HURT... MUST BE VERY PROUD! HOW CAN I MAKE HIM TALK?



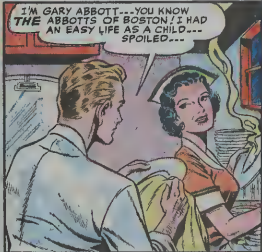


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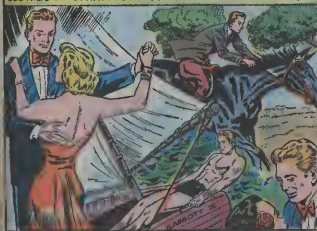
MAYBE THIS IS ALL I'M CUT OUT FOR...

**T**HE BROKEN DISHES BROKE THE ICE AND HE TOLO ME EVERYTHING! WHILE MY HEART WAS OVER-FLOWING WITH FEELING FOR HIM... WHILE I ATE EVERY WORD!



I'M GARY ABBOTT... YOU KNOW THE ABBOTTS OF BOSTON! I HAD AN EASY LIFE AS A CHILD... SPOILED...

AND LATER MY LIFE WAS ONE LONG DANCE IN EVENING CLOTHES... SURROUNDED BY WEALTH AND GLAMOUR!



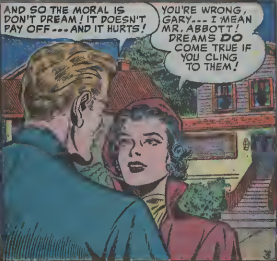
I CAME DOWN HERE TO MAKE GOOD ON MY OWN BUT SO FAR IT'S BEEN NO DEAL! AND NOW, NO JOB AND NO DOUGH... AND THIS IS WHERE I CAME IN!

**T**HE ARMY CHANGED ME... MADE ME WANT TO FIGHT FOR SOMETHING!



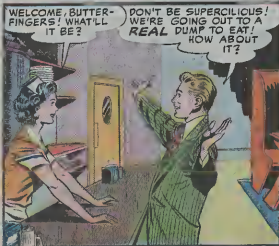
AND SO THE MORAL IS DON'T DREAM! IT DOESN'T PAY OFF... AND IT HURTS!

YOU'RE WRONG, GARY... I MEAN MR. ABBOTT! DREAMS DO COME TRUE IF YOU CLING TO THEM!





FOR DAYS I THOUGHT OF HIS KISS! MY REASON SAID IT WAS A KISS OF GRATITUDE WHILE MY HEART SAID IT WAS LOVE! IN THE MEANWHILE I WAS TORTURED!



DREAMS DO COME TRUE! AT LAST I WOULD BE WITH THE MAN I HAD PRAYED TO BE WITH FOR SO LONG!



WHAT GOES? WHERE'D YOU GET IT? A STICKUP?

WORSE! I GOT A JOB... INDUSTRIAL DESIGNING AT SO MUCH PER!



IT WAS YOUR KINDNESS AND FAITH IN ME THAT DID IT SALLY... LOOK---

I KNOW! I KNOW! YOU WANT TO KISS ME AGAIN---DIO I SAY NO?



LOVE ENGULFED US COMPLETELY! GARY AND I WERE PRACTICALLY INSEPARABLE FOR WEEKS, LIVING FOR EACH OTHER'S SMILE OR TOUCH!



THINK IT CAME! AS IT DOES TO MOST WOMEN... HE ASKED ME TO BE HIS WIFE! AND HE WAS SO CUTE!

SALLY... HOW ABOUT IT? WILL YOU BE MY INCOME TAX EXEMPTION?

WHY, YOU BIG SILLY! ARE YOU PROPOSING? WHY I SHOULD SAY... YES!



LIKE A COLD SHOWER IT HIT ME! GARRY WANTED ME TO MEET HIS FOLKS... NOBODY ME TO MEET THE ABBOTTS OF BOSTON!



SINCE YOU'RE GOING TO MARRY ME, YOU MIGHT AS WELL KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GETTING INTO! HOW ABOUT GOING UP TO BOSTON THIS WEEK-END?



LOOK, GARY, HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT IT? WHAT WILL YOUR FOLKS THINK OF ME... A WAITRESS?

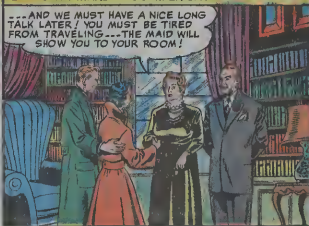


THEY'LL SAY YOU'RE THE MOST BEAUTIFUL, KIND, GENEROUS AND LOYAL GIRL IN THE WORLD! ANY MORE QUESTIONS?



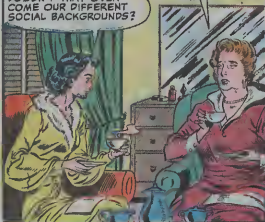
SOON IT WAS THE MOMENT I HAD FEARED! I FELT SO AWKWARD ---SO INFERIOR!

---AND WE MUST HAVE A NICE LONG TALK LATER! YOU MUST BE TIRED FROM TRAVELING---THE MAID WILL SHOW YOU TO YOUR ROOM!

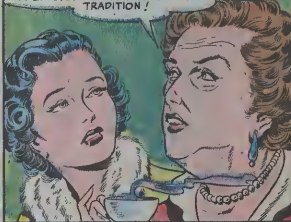


---AND GARY AND I LOVE EACH OTHER! DOESN'T THAT OVERCOME OUR DIFFERENT SOCIAL BACKGROUNDS?

HARDLY, MY DEAR MISS HILL ---



WE ABBOTTS HAVE NEVER MARRIED BENEATH OUR SOCIAL LEVEL FOR GENERATIONS AND WE HOPED GARY WOULD MAINTAIN THE TRADITION!



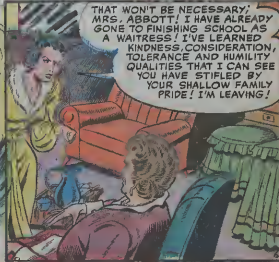
BUT PERHAPS WE CAN MAKE AN EXCEPTION IN YOUR CASE! WE COULD SEND YOU TO FINISHING SCHOOL OR...



**S**UDDENLY, ALL MY ANXIETY AND SENSE OF INFERIORITY BOILED UP INTO A FURY AT THE HEARTLESS CONDESCENDING ATTITUDE OF MRS. ABBOTT!



THAT WON'T BE NECESSARY, MRS. ABBOTT! I HAVE ALREADY GONE TO FINISHING SCHOOL AS A WAITRESS! I'VE LEARNED KINDNESS, CONSIDERATION, TOLERANCE AND HUMILITY QUALITIES THAT I CAN SEE YOU HAVE STIFLED BY YOUR SHALLOW FAMILY PRIDE! I'M LEAVING!







SALLY!



SO *THAT'S* THE GIRL!  
COME HERE---LET ME  
HAVE A GOOD LOOK AT  
YOU!



HEY---WHAT GIVES? THIS IS GRANNY  
ABBOTT WHO JUST BARGED IN  
FROM EUROPE!



YOUNG WOMAN---THEY  
TOLD ME EVERYTHING!  
DO YOU LOVE MY  
GRANDSON?

Y-YES!  
I DO!



LISTEN TO ME ALL YOU ABBOTTS! HERE'S A  
STORY THAT'LL SHOCK THE TEETH RIGHT  
OUT OF YOUR SNOBBISH  
HEADS!



TAKE A GOOD LOOK---  
I WAS ONCE A  
WAITRESS  
MYSELF!

NO---



GRANNY...WH...  
WHAT ARE YOU  
SAYING?

YOU HEARD  
ME...

I WAS A **WAITRESS**...  
IN A RESTAURANT IN  
CHICAGO! AND NOT A  
VERY RESPECTABLE  
ONE AT THAT!

YOU...YOU CAN'T  
MEAN THAT...



**I** LOVED  
THE DEAR  
OLD LADY  
AS SHE  
CRACKED  
UP THE  
PHONY  
FAMILY  
SUPERIORITY  
COMPLEX!



**CAN'T I THOUGH!** I SUPPORTED  
MY HUSBAND WHILE HE WAS STARTING  
HIS PACKING BUSINESS...  
AND WE WERE BROKE  
MOST OF THE TIME!



**HOW MY HEART SWELLED WITH GRATITUDE  
TO THIS HONEST AND WONDERFUL OLD  
LADY!**

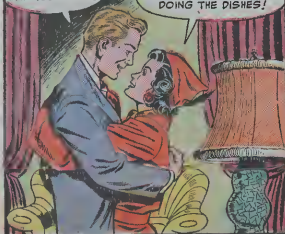
...I HOPE  
MOTHER  
GETS OVER  
IT!  
HOW CAN  
WE EVER  
THANK  
YOU...

TUSH...SHE WILL!  
IN THIS DAY AND  
AGE TO WORRY  
ABOUT FAMILY  
TRADITIONS! I  
LEARNED LONG  
AGO IT'S THE MILK  
OF HUMAN KIND-  
NESS THAT MAKES  
OUR FAMILY  
TRADITIONS...  
NOT SNOBBERY!

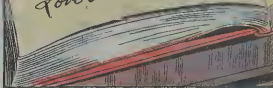


OKAY, BABY...  
CAN YOU COOK?

SURE CAN! AND ARE YOU  
GOING TO BE A HELP...  
DOING THE DISHES!



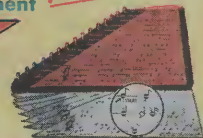
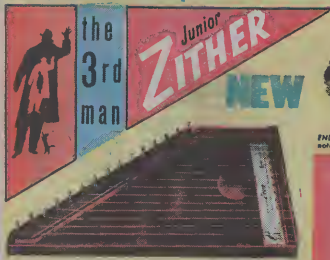
*In our kiss there  
blended our love which  
began with a kindness  
and overcame snobbery,  
and we knew that every  
day, for us there would be  
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